

**Minutes of the session of the Commission established to carry out a mid-term evaluation of performance of the research plan**

Name and surname of the doctoral student: Jan Jelinowski  
Institute: IH PAN/G.E.O. University of Strasbourg  
Subject of dissertation: Persianate Historiography in the Mongol Age:: Juvauni's *Tarikhi-i Jahangusha* in Its Social and Literary Context.  
Advisor: Dariusz Kołodziejczyk/ Eric Vallet  
Second supervisor/co-advisor:

The session of the Mid-term Evaluation Commission composed of:

Chairman of the Commission: Charles Melville

Member of the Commission: Robert Kasperski

Member of the Commission: Natalia Królikowska-Jedlińska

established by the Directive of the Director *Institute of History PAN* dated *15.07.22* to carry out a mid-term evaluation referred to in Art. 202 of the Act dated 20 July 2018 – Law on Higher Education and Science (Journal of Laws 2020 item 85).

The meeting of the Commission in the online mode began on 27 October 2022 at 11 a.m.

The following agenda was accepted:

*Time (from—to) session of the Commission 11:00 a.m.-11:05 a.m.*

*time – conversation with the candidate: 11:05 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.*

*time - session of the Commission: 12:10 p.m. – 12: 25 p.m.*

The following evaluation criteria were adopted as applicable:

- timeliness of performance of individual research plan time schedule,
- compliance of performance of individual research plan with assumptions,
- advancement of progress in preparation of doctoral dissertation, documented by materials presented to the Commission, i.e. fragments of the prepared dissertation, articles, papers etc.
- quality of the completed research work

Based on the above criteria and after listening to the doctoral student the Commission formulated the following opinion<sup>1</sup>:

Jan Jelinowski's cv, foreign language skills, IT competence and broad scholarly interests as described in the files sent to the committee members are impressive, and so is the concept of his Ph.D. project. The research focuses on the social and linguistic contexts of Juvayni's 'Tarikh-i Jahangusha', which is one of the most

<sup>1</sup> Collective presentation of the opinions of individual Members of the Commission formulated by the Chairman of the Commission, of 1000 to 2000 characters, being a basis for the enclosed Resolution of the Commission.

important sources for the history of Central Asia and the Mongol conquests of Persia in the 13th century. The candidate argues convincingly that the concept of the text as an 'archive' of different strands of information, combined with thoroughly considered textometric methods, allows him to analyse its complex narrative structure with greater accuracy than previously. His preliminary findings suggest that Juvayni was not simply recording the Persian view of the conquests but building on materials that reflected the Mongols' own view of their history.

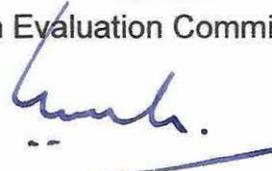
The members of the PhD mid-term evaluation committee were impressed by Jan Jelinowski's responses to questioning and believe that his research has a potential to shed a fresh light on the way we understand the crucial source for the history of the Mongol conquests. Therefore, the committee recommends the positive assessment of the candidate's progress.

The meeting of the Mid-Term Evaluation Commission ended at 12:25 p.m.

Date, place

24.10.2022 v.

Signature of the Chairman/Chairwoman  
of the Mid-Term Evaluation Commission



The minutes were drawn up by: Natalia Królikowska-Jedlińska

